

**REGULAR MEETING
LABOR, EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMITTEE
MAY 31, 2007 – 3:00 P.M.
TRIBAL OFFICE BOARDROOM**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call: Chairperson Regina Washinawatok called the meeting to order. Roll Call was taken with a quorum present. Members present: Wendell Waukau, Virginia Nuske, Rose Wayka, Gary Besaw (late), Anthony Waupochick (late), Michael Skenadore (late) and Lisa S. Waukau (ex-officio). Members absent: Robert Tucker (excused), Carol Dodge, Dr. Verna Fowler (excused). Also present: Myrna Warrington, AnnMarie Johnson, Carol Nunway-Tyler, Treva Chupco, Jon Askenette, Brenda Tomow, Marci Hawpetoss, and Jeremy Weso

2. Moment of Silence. A moment of silence was observed.

3. Approval of Minutes dated April 26, 2007.

Motion made by Wendell Waukau to approve the minutes dated April 26, 2007 with the noted corrections. Second was by Gary Besaw. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 2 for, 0 opposed, 2 abstentions (Wayka and Nuske) and 5 absent (Tucker, Dodge, Fowler, Skenadore and Waupochick).

Motion made by Wendell Waukau to suspend the agenda and hear item #6. Second was by Virginia Nuske. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 4 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 5 absent (Tucker, Dodge, Fowler, Skenadore and Waupochick).

6. Strategic Planning Draft Educational portion.

Brenda Tomow-Strategic Planning Director informed the Committee that the educational portion has been reformatted and has been based on the community survey that was done in 2005. The workgroup that put together the educational portion is listed. This document will be ready for presentation to the Legislature next month.

No Child Left Behind makes everyone accountable. The threat that is associated with this mandate is that if the mandates are not met; funding could be cut.

There is an implementation section that shows who will be doing what and who is responsible for certain areas. The Committee will need a copy of this section.

No department or workgroup can go straight to the Legislature. They will have to work with whatever committee they have been assigned to and allow the committee to review and recommend to the Legislature to accept/deny the requests.

The GAP analysis is the key to the goals and objectives of this Committee and until the Committee receives this; they will not know what they have, what they can build on and what they do not have and what to look for.

Brenda Tomow informed the Committee that some directors are implementing some of the suggested goals and objectives right now.

Motion made by Anthony Waupochick to return back to the agenda. Second was by Gary Besaw. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 5 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 4 absent (Dodge, Fowler, Waukau and Tucker).

4. Committee Discussion: Set Priorities.

The Committee discussed what should be the priorities for the year and they are as follows:

Educational Summit - to assist with the implementation of the Action Plans. Review old summit reports. Attend the Summit.

Educational Recognition – to develop the criteria for education recognitions within our tribal structure (both student and educators and including MISD).

NOFA (Notice of Funding Availability) criteria – to review the criteria and recommend changes to the education endowment funds portion of the judgment funds to the Legislature

Comprehensive Education Systems Plan – to educate our membership from birth to elder.

Monitor GAP analysis – the Committee has the oversight responsibility of the Strategic Plan to insure that the Tribe is on track.

Motion made by Virginian Nuske to set the following four goals for the year for the Labor, Education and Training Committee: 1) An annual educational summit, 2) Educational recognition for students and educator, 3) NOFA (Notice of Funding Availability) criteria, 4) Comprehensive Education Systems Plan. Second was by Michael Skenadore. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 5 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 4 absent (Dodge, Fowler, Waukau and Tucker).

5. Bomb Scare Ordinance.

The Committee received the Ordinance at today's meeting and will need a chance to review it.

Motion made by to Michael Skenadore to table this issue until the next meeting in order to have the legal department present. Second was by Gary Besaw. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Motion carried: 5 for, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 4 absent (Dodge, Fowler, Waukau and Tucker).

7. Review Monthly Reports.

Rose Wayka-Language and Culture Director informed the Committee that they were involved at the High School with the loss of a student. Staff was available the first day and students acknowledge their presence.

There were also talking circles held at the middle school for the girls. With the positive outcome; there will be more talking circles scheduled.

AnnMarie Johnson-CRC Building Director was present to introduce herself and her staff to the Committee.

Regina Washinawatok will get clarification on the monthly reports. Does the Committee need to receive all monthly reports from the departments that are assigned to them? Does the Director's from the departments that are assigned to this Committee need to show up in person or is the report adequate? Are narrative's adequate or are the financials necessary for the committee?

8. Other Business.

The Tribe needs to review the criteria for our young adults receiving their per capita payment. There is no educational restriction such as mandating that our young people receive their High School diploma or GED prior to inheriting their payment. Also, the Committee will consider our young people to go thru financial education before inheriting their payment. This will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

The Committee meetings will be held in the Tribal Office Boardroom for consistency.

Next meeting will be June 28th, 2007 at 3:00 p.m.

9. Adjournment.

Motion made by Michael Skenadore/Virginia Nuske to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Linda Peters, Recorder
Legislative Staff